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POULTRY SHOW IS UNDER WAY

Ten Thousand Dollars Worth of Chickens on Exhibit in The Armory.

GIMLIN OFFERS HIGH PRAISE FOR DISPLAY

Show Formally Opened This Afternoon—United Orchestra to Play Tonight—Army Well Arranged for Convenience of Spectators—Williams Is Largest Exhibitor.

Ten thousand dollars worth of chickens are crowing and cackling in armory hall on Court street, where the second annual exhibition of the Umatilla-Morrow county poultry association opened its doors at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

"That is a mighty fine bunch of birds," declared Judge Elmer Gimlin of Illinois, as he sauntered about the hall this morning. "You have a splendid hall here and I like your arrangement of coops," continued the man who is to place the awards.

The work of scoring the birds was started this afternoon and the first ribbons will be hung up this evening so that visitors will have a chance to gaze at the winners. The show was already for the opening, thereby setting a northwest record. There has not been a particle of confusion and there is plenty of room for spectators. The chickens also show up much better in the new coops purchased by the association, than they did last year in the old style coops.

Pheasants Attract.
The first thing that attracted the attention of the opening day crowd was the exhibit of China pheasants at the head of the armory stairs. These beautiful birds are owned by Dr. John Griswold of Helix and they promise to be one of the attractive features of the big show.

Varieties Represented.
Among the different varieties represented at the show are the following:

Mottled Anconas, Barred Plymouth Rocks, Buff Plymouth Rocks, Columbian Plymouth Rocks, Buff Orpingtons, Black Orpingtons, White Orpingtons, Japanese Silkies, Rose Comb White Leghorns, Brown Leghorns, Silver Spangled Hamburgs, Black Javas, Rhode Island Reds, White Wyandottes, Silver Laced Wyandottes, Buff Cochins, White Cochins, Bantams, White Guineas, Black Langshans, Black Minorcas, White Indian Runner Ducks, Fawn Colored Indian Runner Ducks, Pin Games, Homing Pigeons, Red Caps.

Williams Is Largest Exhibitor.
Earl A. Williams, the Milton man who introduced the Columbian Plymouth Rocks in the northwest, is the largest exhibitor of any one breed at the show. He has 29 of his favorites on exhibition. B. F. Williams, the Milton breeder of Buff Plymouth Rocks and E. F. Averill, of this city, who makes a specialty of Buff Orpingtons, tie for second place with 25 birds each. N. A. Humphrey with 20 Black Minorcas is third man.

Concert This Evening.
Following the opening of the doors this evening, there will be a concert by the United Orchestra. The doors will open at 7:30 and the concert will begin soon after. Everything has been arranged for the comfort of those who wish to listen to the series of concerts.

The program for this evening will be as follows:

1. March—In a Nutshell.....Rosey
2. Characteristic Piece.....Cupid's Dream.....Dehrno
3. Cagardas—Danse Styrienne.....Michiels
4. Waltz—Jolly Fellows.....Vollstedt
5. "Bewitching Beauty".....L. P. Laurendeau
6. Selection—Faust.....Guaonod
7. Indian Characteristic Piece—Tomahawk Dance.....
8. March—Men of Harvard.....Grey

SEATTLE MINISTER THREATENED FOR STAND

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 13.—The postal authorities today began a search for the person who sent a death threat in mails to Reverend Adna Wright, pastor of the First Methodist church of Seattle. Sunday the minister attacked the city administration. Yesterday he got a letter telling him to desist or he would be killed. Wright is not worried and says only a coward would send an anonymous missive.

HEAVY EARTHQUAKE RECORDED LAST NIGHT

Washington, D. C., Dec. 13.—A heavy earthquake of more than an hour's duration was recorded by the seismograph of the weather bureau today. The shock occurred about five thousand miles distant. It began at seven minutes of two this morning. The movement was east and west.

OREGON MAN WAS KILLED IN CHICAGO

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 13.—In a blood stained letter written by Nathan B. Hyde, former federal commissioner for southern Oregon, as he was struck and killed by a crowbar, the police today believe they hold a clue to the murderer. The detectives are seeking Emil Mathias in connection with the crime. It is believed Hyde was writing the letter for Mathias. The body was discovered when blood seeped through the floor to the room below which Mathias occupied.

AUSTRALIAN WOMEN HAVE SAME WAGES AS MEN

Melbourne, Australia, Dec. 13.—By a decision of the arbitration court in Sydney women, under the industrial laws, are now entitled to the same wages as men. The decision was made today. This so far from benefiting women will lead in many cases to their suppression by men in factories and shops.

WALL STREET LIKES NEW CHIEF JUSTICE

SAY COURT IS NOW MORE CONSERVATIVE

Lawyers Align White, Day, Holmes, Lurton and Hughes as Conservatives—Harland and Vandevanter as Radicals; Lamar and McKenna as Uncertain.

New York, N. Y., Dec. 13.—Wall street believes that the new supreme court as rounded out by the appointments of Taft is conservative. The New York News Bureau, a recognized Wall street organ, commenting on the court appointments today, says: "The members of the bar who have been endeavoring to classify the probable attitude of the supreme court have concluded it is more conservative than when the Standard Oil case and American Tobacco case were last heard by them. Lawyers align the membership in about the following fashion: Conservatives: Chief Justice White; Justices Day, Holmes, Lurton and Hughes, Radicals: Harland and Vandevanter; uncertain, Lamar and McKenna."

COLUMBIA ICE COVERED; MAY BE TOTAL LOSS

Valdez, Dec. 13.—Alaska, Dec. 13.—Completely sheathed in ice, with a hole torn in her hull amidships and with from 25 to 28 feet of water in all her compartments, the Alaska Steamship company's liner Olympia, lies like a stranded iceberg on the reef of dreary Bligh Island, Prince William Sound, and is expected to become a total loss, with her cargo, part of which had been salvaged from the same company's steamship Northwestern, when she was sunk at False Bay, Puget Sound, recently. Of the 724 persons on board the Olympia when she struck, all were saved and taken to Valdez and Ellamar, with the exception of three members of the crew, who are standing by the ship.

SAN FRANCISCO WANTS TO FORCE EARLY VOTE

Washington, D. C., Dec. 13.—Confident they have sufficient votes for San Francisco for the Panama exposition, members of the California delegation today concentrated their efforts toward getting an early vote on the question of the fair site. They hope for an agreement in the house which will permit voting on the bill either Thursday or Friday of this week.

SHOT NIECE WHO HAD CALLED HIM TO BREAKFAST

Albuquerque, N. M., Dec. 13.—A. W. Gray, who shot and killed his niece, Mary Williamson, thinking her a burglar, probably will be exonerated by the coroner's jury today. The man is completely unnerved. He declared today he was half asleep when he shot. He did not know what he was doing until the report fully awakened him. She was calling him to breakfast when he rose from his bed and fired. He was not arrested.

ELLENSBURG HAS 4200 WENATCHEE HAS 4050

Washington, D. C., Dec. 13.—The census bureau has announced the population of Ellensburg, Washington, at 4200 and Wenatchee, Washington, at 4050.

AUNT OF MRS. TAFT IS DEAD AT DECATUR

Decatur, Ill., Dec. 13.—Mrs. Hanna Jock, an aunt of Mrs. Taft, wife of the president, died here today. She was 90. Death was caused by pneumonia.

W. R. Taylor of Athens is in the city today.

BATTLE ON IN MEXICO

Report Says Engagement Has Been Under Way Since Sunday.

DIAZ SENDS FOR MAN HE EXILED

Northbound Trains from Fighting Zone Bring Women and Children Refugees—Mexican Federalists Arrest Woman for Aiding Cause of Madero.

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 13.—A battle twenty miles from Pedernales in the state of Chihuahua, which began Sunday, is reported still in progress with heavy losses on both sides. Trains moving northward on the Mexican Northwestern railroad filled with women and children, refugees from the fighting zone.

Has Sent for Reyes.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 13.—General Reyes who was practically banished from Mexico because his name was mentioned in connection with the vice presidency a little more than a year ago is to return to his own country. Reports received here from authentic sources say Diaz has summoned him back and decided to make him an undersecretary for the president. Reyes is reported returning now from Europe.

Mexican Woman Arrested.

Douglas, Ariz., Dec. 13.—A woman is now figuring prominently in the situation in Mexico. And her efforts up to the time of her arrest were in behalf of the revolutionists.

Senora Dolores Medrano is believed to be the one woman in Mexico who knows the whereabouts of Madero, the head of the revolution. She has just been arrested in Torreon, together with the whole junta that has been operating with her in behalf of Madero.

According to the information received, Madero has been writing her letters, and she, in turn, has passed them by couriers to insurgent chiefs in the northern part of Chihuahua and Coahuila. The following were arrested with her and are now in the state prison at Torreon.

Jesus de la Torre, Francisco Sarnana, Gregorio Oxiado, Norberto Rivera, Ricardo de la Torre, Carlos Vela Martinez, Ursula Medrano, Manuel Hernandez and Servero Oviado.

FARMER BLAMED FOR HIGH LIVING COST

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 13.—The high cost of living is blamed partially on farmers today. Sir Horace Plunkett, president of the Irish agricultural society, is here today touring the country for the purpose of studying conditions. "Unless the American farmer organizes and distributes his own products there cannot be a reduction in the high living cost either here or abroad," he said. "In this way the farmer would reduce the portion of the middleman's profits and thus make more money."

CHILDREN'S HOME BURNED ONE BOY LOST LIFE

Springfield, Mo., Dec. 13.—Fire destroyed the children's home here early today. Ralph Barnea, aged seven, was burned to death. The child was in the sick ward and was forgotten in the excitement. Several other children were burned but not seriously while being rescued.

ANXIOUS OHIO MOTHER SEEKS FOR NEWS OF H. E. WILLIAMS

At 2 o'clock this afternoon H. E. Williams, the missing man, was located by Mr. Strobe, through the assistance of a local clergyman.

Does anyone know of the whereabouts of Harry E. Williams, former resident of Pendleton, but who has not been heard from during the past year? Parties having news of Williams and especially anything that will show his present location may confer a great favor upon the mother of the missing man by giving any information they may have to Councilman V. Strobe.

As secretary of the Pendleton aerie of the Order of Eagles, Mr. Strobe has just received a communication from young Williams' mother who lives at Logan, Ohio. Her name is Mrs. T. W. Rochester and in her letter of inquiry she says she is greatly alarmed over her failure to find any

CUMMINS FOR REVISION NOW

Introduces Resolution Calling for Schedule by Schedule Revision.

DEFENDS PLAN WHEN SAME IS CRITICISED

Iowa Senator Says Country Expects Some Changes in Tariff Schedules—Would Prevent House From Presenting Bill Calling for Revision of Entire Tariff.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 13.—Defending a resolution he introduced yesterday for the modification of the rules to permit a schedule by schedule revision of the tariff from charges that it was "revolutionary and drastic" Senator Cummins, in the senate said today: "It is not my purpose to precipitate a tariff debate. I believe however, some portions of the tariff law are indefensible. I gave close attention to the recent political contest and found it the sentiment throughout the country that some schedules are too high. Unless the rules are modified the present tariff law will continue in effect until those believing in high protection think a new act is necessary or those opposing high protection wage a successful war."

Cummins explained the effect of the proposed change by saying the amendments would be limited to the items of the schedules the bill carried. He admitted it would bar the house from presenting a bill revising the entire tariff.

HOUSE IS CONSIDERING PENSION BILLS TODAY

Washington, D. C., Dec. 13.—The pension bill carrying an appropriation of \$153,668,000 is being considered today in the house of representatives. A report accompanying the bill asserts the government has already paid out more than four billions for pensions. It is expected the bill will be attacked in some quarters and efforts made to reduce the amount.

ACQUITTAL OF MISS LE BLANC IS FREELY PREDICTED

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 13.—An acquittal was freely predicted today for Hattie Leblanc, who is charged with having murdered Clarence Glover, after the attorneys for the defense concluded their final plea. The case goes to the jury tonight. Miss Leblanc is unperturbed. The suggestion that Mrs. Glover might have killed her husband was played upon strongly by the defense.

JACK JOHNSON BOXES FIRST TIME SINCE RENO

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 13.—For the first time since he stepped out of the ring at Reno Johnson today boxed. Walter Monahan, a San Francisco youth, who was one of his sparring partners at Reno, worked him out today. Johnson denied he would fight the winner of the Langford-Jeanette fight in Paris.

LYNCH WILL BE CHOSEN AS LEAGUE HEAD AGAIN

New York, N. Y., Dec. 13.—Little opposition for the reelection of Lynch as president was expected when the national league directors met this afternoon to select officers and draw up a schedule of games for next season.

ADAMS MAN STABBED IN FIGHT OVER GIRL

(Special Correspondence.) Adams Ore., Dec. 13.—Considerable excitement has been aroused in Adams over a stabbing affray which occurred Sunday evening in which Joe McBean, a well known young man of the town was severely cut in the arm. Louis Lacourse, another well known young man, was the assailant in the affair which, it is said, arose over a young lady with whom both were infatuated. At the time of the quarrel the two men had been drinking heavily and hot words soon led to an exchange of blows. Lacourse drew a knife and struck his rival in the fleshy part of the right arm, inflicting a wound several inches in length and severing the main artery so that the wounded man almost bled to death before medical aid could be summoned.

Lacourse went to his home after the affair and the officers made no attempt to arrest him until today when a warrant was gotten out and they are now looking for him.

RAILROADS MAY CHARGE DEMURRAGE

(Special Correspondence.) Washington, D. C., Dec. 13.—Railroads have the right to impose such demurrage charges on private cars as they see fit, according to a decision given today by the interstate commerce commission. The finding was given in a case brought by Proctor & Gamble, soap manufacturers of Cincinnati, against the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton railroad. The manufacturers objected because the railroad assessed them for not unloading their private cars on their own tracks.

The railroad argued that the cars were used as a favor to the owners and insisted that as soon as they were taken by the roads for transportation of goods they ceased to be private and were hauled subject to sales conditions the same as any other cars. The commission held that the railroads are not forced to haul private cars and therefore could impose such conditions as they saw fit.

COMMERCE COMMISSION RULES AGAINST SHIPPERS

Private Cars May Be Handled by Roads Same As Other Cars—Shippers Must Pay Demurrage If Left Loaded on Side Tracks.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 13.—Surrounded by luxury but starving to death because of inability to assimilate food, United States Senator Elkins of West Virginia, is near death, according to a report current here today. It is asserted he has lost so much flesh his friends don't recognize him. No one is allowed to see him. Last night it was announced at his home there is no cause for alarm.

RICH SENATOR ELKINS DYING OF STARVATION

Washington, D. C., Dec. 13.—The earnings of the average city worker remained stationary during the last decade, while the purchasing power of the farmer increased over fifty per cent against a twelve per cent increase in the cost of necessities, according to a statement contained in the annual report of Victor Olmstead, chief of the bureau of statistics filed today.

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DOCTOR DENIES GUILT AND FURNISHES BAIL

Dr. M. R. Stapp, who has been released from jail at Montesano, Wash., upon giving bail for \$5000, denies the charge of manslaughter for which he was arrested. His arrest was in connection with the death of Miss Mary Bauer of Satsup who died from the effects of an operation which it was charged was performed by Dr. Stapp. In his statement he says he never knew of the girl and has no knowledge of the case.

TOYS ENJOYED BY CHILDREN OF SIAM

Siam has a large juvenile population. With Siamese children, as with those of other lands, toys are very popular, but they are usually the crude work of local manufacturers and consist of rag dolls and dogs, or animals, wagons, etc., made of palm leaves, or else they are imported from China and Japan; and occasionally some mechanical toys from Germany find their way to the local market. No bazaar is complete here without its toy stand. Teddy bears and dolls would find a ready sale, as would cheap tin toys, carts, wagons, boats, guns, military equipments and furniture, and also the cheaper mechanical toys, such as automobiles and "rickshaws" drawn by men.

ROADS PREPARE FOR A STRIKE

Western Railroads Assembling Extra Men at Division Points.

TRAINMEN DO NOT EXPECT A STRIKE

Report from Winnipeg Says 36,000 Engineers Will Go Out Unless Demands Are Granted—Tacoma Engineers Say Matter Will Be Adjusted by Arbitration.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 13.—From sources considered well informed concerning railroad matters, it is reported today that the railroads in the northwest have been quietly placing reserve engineers at important division points such as Portland, Spokane, Tacoma, Seattle, Coquille and Butte, in anticipation of a strike of locomotive engineers. This is merely a precaution so the railroads will be ready to operate trains without delay. It is said there is a general feeling that there will be no strike but both sides are preparing.

Winnipeg, Dec. 13.—The leading engine drivers on the railways running out of Winnipeg are preparing to strike. It is stated here today that the great engineers' strike affecting the Canadian and American lines in the west will be called December 23 unless the demands of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, submitted to the railroads at Chicago yesterday for an increase be granted. About 36,000 engineers are affected.

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 13.—The engineers here express the opinion there will be no strike but that arbitration will prevent a general strike of engineers on the western lines.

RUBBER FOREST SAID TO HAVE BEEN DISCOVERED

In the widespread public interest shown in the announcement of the discovery of a fortune in wild rubber in an explored forest on a 15,000-acre estate in British Guiana, owned by the Bartica company, a corporation with offices in New York, there is a vivid suggestion of the furore created last spring in London when several of the East Indian rubber companies announced dividends of more than 200 per cent. The discovery which is attributed to Henry Pearson, editor of the Indian Rubber World, who found specimens of wild rubber trees growing on the outskirts of the forest when he visited the property in March last, and suggested an exploration of the whole tract, looks to be the biggest thing of its kind reported in some years. An average of 20 trees to the acre has been found, indicating some 280,000 on the whole area. They range all the way from 20 to 90 inches in circumference and some are believed to be 100 years old. It is believed they will yield on an average of five pounds of dry rubber to the tree in the first year of tapping or an indicated aggregate of 1,400,000 pounds to the whole forest. Samples of the latex extracted from some of the trees on the property sent here for analysis are reported to have a market value two-thirds that of Para rubber and hence worth from \$1 to \$1.50 a pound.

TWO WHITE WOMEN CLAIM JAP HUSBAND

The rather unusual spectacle of two women claiming a diminutive Japanese as their illegitimate and sovereign master was presented in the supreme court of New York this week when John H. Sassa was brought to court to show cause why he should not pay Jennie Sassa some \$864 she says is due her for her support. When the cherry blossoms were in full bloom and exalting their sweetest fragrance in 1897 Sassa and his wife, who was a Mrs. Jennie Cookley, were married. They have four little children. The couple lived together until 1906, when Sassa left his wife. Subsequently he fell in love with Elizabeth Ackerson, a former Sunday school teacher, and went to live with her. Both women were in court, vowing that they loved the Jap and that life without him would be a hopeless void.

Springfield to Vote on Saloons

Eugene, Ore.—The city of Springfield will probably be the first in Oregon to hold a special election under the new "home rule" law to decide whether or not the city shall have saloons. As the city gave a majority against prohibition at the November general election, it is firmly believed that saloons will be voted for at the special election. A city election was held Monday at which the "wet" candidates for councilmen were elected, and the council now has a majority of members of that persuasion. The councilmen elected are John M. Matthews and Welby Stevens, who won over Mel Fenwick and D. S. Jordan.